

RANGE OF THERMOMETER.  
The following was the range of the thermometer at The Times office yesterday: 9 A. M., 75; 12 M., 81; 3 P. M., 81; 6 P. M., 80; 9 P. M., 74; 12 M., 75; average, 78.43.

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## TWO CHURCHES ARE KNOCKING.

Dover Association to Decide on Friday.

## DRAMATIC NARRATION

Of Personal Experience by Rev. Joel Tucker, of This City.

## CHAPEL CAR WORK EXPLAINED

By Mr. Boston W. Smith—Several Shots at the Mormons—Reports of Orphanage Committee and the Home Mission Board—The Programme for To-Day and Thursday.

Two churches are knocking for admission to the Dover Baptist Association, which is now in session with West View Baptist church on west Main street.

The first is Monroe Baptist church, which was recently organized. The owner is the Baptist church of Harriman, Tenn., which, for peculiar reasons, is endeavoring to secure an association with the Monroe church.

A dramatic incident in the proceedings yesterday was the narration by Rev. Joel Tucker, of Richmond, of personal reasons why he believes in orphan asylums, based on his own hard experience.

The attendance on the sessions is very good indeed.

The tenth session of the association was opened yesterday morning shortly after 10 o'clock at West View Baptist church, at 2601 west Cary street. Rev. J. H. Hall, son of the moderator, Josiah Ryland, secretary, and J. B. Waithall treasurer, and all three were unanimously reelected.

## THIS CHAPTER CARS.

Before entering upon the work of the Association Mr. Boston W. Smith, of Minneapolis, and Rev. J. Franklin, of Salt Lake City, Utah, made brief addresses by request.

Mr. Smith is in charge of chapel car work of the American Baptist Publication Society, and gave a very interesting account of the work of the chapel cars from their inception, about eight or ten years ago. The originator of the idea was Rev. Wm. Ward Hoyt, D. D., and one of the most active promoters his brother, Colgate Hoyt, who is a high railroad official. Five cars are now engaged in the work, he said. The first was christened "Evangel" and was built for the purpose by a Wall street syndicate. The second was built a little later and named "Emmanuel." The third was built by a wealthy man in honor of his wife and she chose "Glad Tidings" as its name. "Good Will," the next car, was built at the same time, the gentleman who gave the name being a member of the congregation. The fourth car, "Glad Tidings," made an acquisition of his gift that the Baptist should build one just like it. "Messenger of Peace" was built by five ladies who gave \$100 each. A car fund, which amounts to \$3,500 is now being raised by young men. Only voluntary subscriptions are received, there being no solicitation.

## LIBERALITY OF RAILROADS.

In the eight years the church and 35 Sunday schools have been opened and 68 meeting houses built at a cost of over \$8,000. Fifteen hundred persons have professed Christianity in the chapel cars, and many others at other places as a result of the preaching.

The work has convinced Mr. Smith that the saying "corporations have no souls" is erroneous. Not one soul had been paid since the last car went over the rails for evangelization and in many instances railroad officials have manifested great personal interest in the work. He told of instances in which less coal and oil had been furnished free by order of railroad authorities.

Mr. Pruden, who is conducting an anti-Mormon propaganda, spoke in condemnation of Mormonism and Brigham H. Roberts, and asked his audience to keep in the work. He said State headquarters of an organization to meet polygamy would probably be opened here in the near future.

Mr. E. M. Long delivered an address of welcome on behalf of West View church and the city, which was responded to by Rev. Mr. Britt, of Williamson.

The report on the orphanage fund showed that \$300 had been spent in the work, and an earnest plea was made for more liberal contributions.

T. H. Elliott of Richmond, a member of the committee, called on the young ministers to be more active in soliciting subscriptions, especially as they never knew how soon they might have to call on the committee for assistance.

## A PROTEST.

Rev. H. L. Quarles, pastor of Broadbush Memorial church of this city, protested against appealing to a selfish motive for giving subscriptions, which, he said, was directly contrary to the spirit in which the fund should be conducted. It should be entirely unselfish. He did not see how any one could come into the world with any idea that he would receive a benefit. He appealed to the Association to rally to the support of the fund because they love the Lord.

After some further discussion, the report was adopted.

Rev. B. C. James, of King and Queen county, delivered the annual sermon at 12:30 P. M.

Letters were received from Monroe Baptist church, which was recently organized in this city, and from the Baptist church at Harriman, Tenn., asking for admission to Dover Association. Both were referred to the Committee on the Reception of New Churches. Dr. Wm. E. Hatcher is chairman of the committee.

The delegates appointed by Monroe church were Rev. A. J. Hall and Messrs. Joseph Cecil, W. A. Jacob, and James Dalton. They were before the committee and presented arguments why the church should be admitted.

The report of the committee was to have been called up this afternoon, but a change in the order of business deferred the report until Thursday morning at 10:30 o'clock. While no one would talk a favorable report is confidently expected.

## A STRANGE CASE.

The Harriman matter is a very peculiar one. The case arose in this way: Some time ago a man who had been baptized by a Disciple minister applied for membership in the Harriman church. Some were for receiving him, and also quite a number thought he had been baptized by a Baptist minister. The application declined to be baptized, saying he had already been baptized. The church disapproved, and the supporters of the applicant asked letters to other churches. The letters were refused, and

the persons themselves turned out. They organized a church, but now cannot get into any of the associations of the State. Rev. Charles G. McDowell, the pastor, a young Virginian, and Mr. J. R. Thompson, of the independent Little Tennessee church, are already in the city, and will urge their application in person.

After the recess was taken those present were invited to a bountiful repast prepared by the ladies of West View church. It was a feast indeed, and so abundant was the preparation that more than five baskets full were gathered in by the fair disciples, nor was the menu confined to loaves and fishes.

THE MORMONS.

The convention adjourned at 3 o'clock, the report of the Home Mission Board was read. It stated that the Board had not left for the States, but during this time it had established about one-sevenths of all the white Baptist churches within the bounds of the Southern Baptist Convention. The policy of the Board is, and always has been, to co-operate with the established Mission Boards of the several States when practicable. The field is the entire South, with frontier stations in Oklahoma, Indian Territory, Texas, Florida and Cuba. Last year the Board employed 150 missionaries, who report 4,552 baptisms, 134 churches and 312 Sunday Schools organized.

The report showed that much has also been accomplished in the missions and cities.

Discussion of the report was called for and Rev. George D. Cooper, D. D., pastor of the First Baptist church of this city, asked if any in the churches had had trouble with Mormonism.

Rev. Mr. Nibbs, of Salem church, Gosnelland county, said they had had done effective work in his neighborhood.

Rev. B. C. James, of King William, told something of the insidious methods of the Mormon missionaries in his country and of effective work in countering the evil. Chathamians, he said, is the Eastern headquarters for them; there being about 400 there.

Speaking of the methods of the Mormons, he said he had expressed his disapproval of the Mormons in a rather vigorous way on one occasion, saying he would rather have his right arm torn to a crisp than lend aid to those who were proselytizing people on behalf of the Mormon Church.

MADE A NOTE OF IT.

A Mormon missionary who heard the remark pulled out a notebook and very solemnly said he would make a note of the remark and charge B. C. James, Mr. James at the Judgment bar of God.

Several other experiences with the Mormons were given by the ministers.

The report of the Committee on the Baptist Orphanage at Salem, Va., stated that the institution was composed to turn away more applicants than it received due to the Orphanage having been established.

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A War Department official, who is outside of the ring, said this morning: "The President is rattled." Politicians now here state that the condition of affairs has been known to the President for some time, but that he is in the absolute power of the military ring that are now in control of the situation.

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